The Result of the Competition Has a Remarkable Experience. for Places on List Not Yet Announced.

THIRTY-FOUR COMPETITORS

Lists in Each Case Will Embrace Four Books, Generally, Rather Than Two.

The State Doard of Education adJourned at 11:20 last night, after devoting
almost the eatire day to the work of
comparing the merits of the text books
for use in the grammar and primary
grades of the public schools of the State.
The bids were opened and tabulated,
thirty-four publishers being among the
competitors. The multiple list of books
has been practically made up, but is
subject to final revision before announcement to-day. It is probable that there
will be in most cases four rather than the
minimum two books in each case, owing
to the many meritorious books offered.
In the Afternoon the board took a recess, while the secretary and an official and stenographic force was engaged
in opening and tabulating the bids for
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The board has not yet finally fixed the time limit in which the local schoolbook committee may meet and select books to be recommended for use in their respective cities and countles. The matter will be reopened to-day, and some time not earlier than the latter portion of April or early June will be fixed. This will give the boards more time and is better for the smaller publishing houses.

Nothing but the required studies for the smaller publishing houses.

Nothing but the required studies for the grammar and primary grades will be adopted at this meeting. Much of the day was spent yesterday in going over and discussing the relative merits of the books offered and comparing prices on them. Indeed, the work of the board is substantially completed, but nothing will be given out until the list now agreed on has been revised to-day.

LIST OF BIDDERS.

Here is the list of bidders for the books, some offering books in but a few studies:

American Book Company, Allyn and

and Company.

The results will probably be announced this evening to the anxiously awaiting representatives of the publishers, and the work of these alert and indefatigable gentlemen will have ended until the county and city committees get to work.

ASKING FOR REPRIEVE. Another Effort Being Made to Save Charles Peoples.

Save Charles Peoples.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WYTHEVLLE, VA., March 23.—A petition has been forwarded to Governor Montague asking him to reprieve Charles Peoples for thirty days. Unless the chief executive acts favorably upon this Peoples will hang next Friday for the murder of John Seagle. A number of people signed the petition, while others refused to sign.

The jail is being guarded by fully armed men, who will repel any attempt to take the condemned man out and give him his liberty. There has been a good deal of talk of attempted rescue, and the officers are taking no chances.

Your correspondent visited Peoples at the jail this morning. He would add nothing to the statement he has constantly made—that the blow which Seugle aimed at him with the axe discharged the gun, and that he is innocent of any attempt at murder.

INSANE WOMAN JUMPS INTO JAMES RIVER

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
LYNCHBURG, VA. March 21.—A farmer from Buckingham teached here this afternoon with his sister, a middle-aged lady, whom he was taking to the asylum for the insane at Staunton. Soon after the train arrived at the depot, the woman made her escape and attempted to drown herself in the James. She was first seen by a railroad man who plunged into the river and held the desperate woman until her brother came up. The two men, in water up to their necks, overcame the struggles of the woman and tore her to a place of safety. Shortly afterwards, the farmer and his sister left for Staunton.

ACQUITTED OF MURDER. Childress, of Danville, Now a

Free Man-Increase Tax Rate. (Special to The Times-Dispatch,)
DANVILLE, VA., March 23.—The jury
in the case against Thomas Childress,
white, who was charged with the murder
of Alexander Clements, colored, here a
month or two ago, returned a verdict of

MADE UP And What She Was Able

She Was a Hard Working Person, and This Will Interest all Workers.

All kinds of diseases and weaknesses leave their marks on the system. It is very easy for the stomach, ilver, bowels and kidneys to become deranged, and when they do the person soon feels tired, languid, weak, low-spirited and gloomy. The nerves become weak, and insanity or paralysis may follow. The blood gets had, there is coated tongue, bad tuste in mouth, constitution, the complexion grows sallow, and life looks dark. All persons complaining of any of these troubles will read with wonder the following letter from Mrs. Kate Austin, 40 Jenny Lind Avenue, Somerville, Muss. She says:



books offered and comparing prices on them. Indeed, the work of the board is substantially completed, but nothing will be given out until the list now agreed on has been revised to-day.

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American Book Company, Allyn and Bacon, D. Appleton and Company, J. P. Bell Company, Columbia Book Company, Eldredge and Brother, Ginn and Company, Eldredge and Brother, Ginn and Company, Globe School Book Company, D. C. Heath and Company, Houghton Mifflin and Company, The Hill Printing Company, The J. B. Lippincott Company, The Macmillan Company, Mayrard-Merrill Company, Myers, Fishel and Company, The Macmillan Company, Newson and Company, Publishing Company, The National Publishing Company, Christopher Sower Company, The Macmillan Company, Southern Publishing Company, Christopher Sower Company, The Unitersity Publishing Company, W. H. Wheeler and Company, M. H. Wheeler and Company, M. H. Wheeler and Company, The Unitersity Publishing Company, W. H. Wheeler and Company, Bander and Company, The Thompson-Brown Company, W. H. Wheeler and Company, Bander and Company, The The results will probably be announced the company and the probably be announced the probably be announced

RECOMMENDED AND FOR SALE BY ALL DRUGGISTS.



acquittal this morning, and Childress was released.

Childress did not deny the shooting, but claimed he was justified in doing it in self-defense during a quarrel with the regro.

The City Council will meet in special session to-morrow night to consider the lay but for the the lay

Wedding Cards.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

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WINCHESTER. VA. March 23.—Mr. and Mrs. Ispac W. Russell, of Amherst Street, have announced the engagement of their daughter. Miss Meta. to Rev. James Gray McAllister. Miss Russell is a popular member of the younger social circle and has been prominently identified with the local amateur musical organizations.

Her father is one of the best known business men of this section and is senior member of the firm of Russel and Green, the largest dry goods house in the valley. Mr. McAllister was last year professor of Hebrew at the Union Theological Seminary, but accepted a call to the Prespection Church at Farmville, Va.

The marriage will take place about the middle of May at the bride's home, No. 234 Amherst Street.

An Unfortunate.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
SUTTON, VA., March 23.—Mr.Calhoom
Horsley, who returned some months ago
from the Staunton Asylum, was carried to
Budkingham Courthouse Monday, 21st,
for safe-keeping until arrangements can
be made to carry him back to the insane
asylum.

of the National Bank a committee on the
building of the new bank structure, to
be erected on the vacant lot at the corner of East Tabb and Sycamore Streets.
The new structure will cost about \$20,000.
The adjoining lot, owned by Mr. Augustus Wright, will likewise be improved by
the building of a handsome business

A PLUCKY WOMAN. WEDDING IN **PETERSBURG**

Levin Jones, Jr.

State Convention to Meet in

Washington Street Methodist Church To-night.

and beautifully decorated with palms ribbon holders were Miss Alice Gregory, of Richmond; Miss Mary Leigh Robinson, of Elizabeth City; Miss Mary Grant Ramsey, of Baltimore; Miss Mary Triplett Patterson, Miss Frances Leigh Starr and Miss Frances Leigh Starr and Miss France S. Budd, of Petersburg. These young ladies were most stylish and becoming gowns of white habutal slik and carried La France roses. Mrs. H. Gilbert Leigh was the matron of honor. She was gowned in an elegant white slik gown and carried a bunch of spring Illacs. The maid of honor, Miss Nan Hail Davis, wore white slik chiffon, a most graceful and beautiful costume; her flowers were roses.

of Baltimore.

Among the out-of-town guests were Mr. Henry Eastin Jones, Louisville, Ky.; Mr. and Mrs. Baker Walters, of Baltimore; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stewart, of Westminster, Md.; Mrs. Charles Robinson and Misses Robinson, of Elizabeth City; Mr. J. M. M. Gregory and Miss Effe Gregory, Richmond; Mrs. W. T. Loyall, Norfolk, and Miss Estelle Tayloe, Warsaw, Va...

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The Epworth League convention will meet in annual session at Washington Street Methodist Church to-morrow night, and continue in session for four days. The address of welcome will be delivered by the Rev. W. G. Starr, pastor of the church, and the response on behalf of the convention will be made by the Rev. E. T. Dadmun, of Ashland, president of the league. Rev. W. J. Young, of Richmond, will deliver the formal address of the evening.

About three hundred delegates from all sections of Virginia have signified their intention of attendance is expected to exceed that of any previous convention.

Anderson Fields, colored, convicted in the Dinwiddle Court yesterday of feloniously shooting a negro named Parker, made a bold break for liberty as he was being taken to jail. He succeeded in escaping, but the guard gave chase and recaptured the fugitive after an excit-

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house, to cost about \$20,000. The building is to have stores on the ground floor and offices above.

A BRILLIANT MARRIAGE.

An Emporia Society Belle Weds Mr. R. W. Jordan, of Jarratts.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) EMPORIA, VA., March 23.—Miss Jen nie Elizabeth Tillar, second daughter of Hon. P. B. Tillar and Mrs. A. T. Tillar of Emporia, was joined in the holy bonds of matrimony yesterday afternoon at 4:20 o'clock to Mr. Russell Wood Jordan, of Jarratts, Va., at the First Baptist Church, in the presence of the largest and most fashionable audience ever assem-

most fashlonable audience ever assembled at a church marriage in the history of the town.

The interior of the church was most tastily and elaborately decorated with palms, ferns and het house plants, together with many choice arrangements in ivy, smilax and trailing cedar.

Above the space where the contracting parties stood was suspended an immense pendant, composed of Bride roses, smilax and various evergreens.

A short while before the appointed hour several hundred invited guests rapidly began to fill all the available space in the church, excepting that roserved for the immediate family of the bride and groom, and by 4:20 all of this space was occupied by those for whom it had been designated.

groom, and by 4:20 all of this space was occupied by those for whom it had been designated.

Promptly at the time appointed for the ceremony the bridal party arrived, and immediately formed in line and walked to the altar as follows, to Lohengrin's wedding chorus, which was beautifully rendered by Mrs. Potter:

Miss Tillie Powell, with Mr. E. P. Turner; Miss Stelia Goodwyn, with Mr. Walker Turner; Miss Rosa Baker, with Mr. C. N. Williams; Miss Bessle Garner, with Mr. B. Huff; Miss M. Howerton, of North Carolina, with Mr. B. Goode; Miss Hattle Vaughan, with Mr. B. Goode; Miss Hattle Vaughan, with Mr. R. Robinson; Miss Mattye Tillar, with Mr. F. Johnson; Miss Mattye Tillar, with Mr. F. Johnson; Miss Mattye Tillar, with Mr. F. Johnson; Miss Ruth Turner, with Mr. R. Wood, of St. Louis; Miss Sadye Newson, with Mr. G. Dunn, of. Norfok; Miss Eloise Jordan, of North Carolina, with Mr. K. Hall; Miss Hattye Lee, with Mr. C. Bounds, of Weldon, N. G.; Miss Daisye Kelly, with Hon. S. H.; Crulksiahk.

Following thèse canne Miss Lidie-Tillar, a sister and maid of honor of the bride, and little Marye Tillar, the ring bearer. Next came the groom, with his best man, Mr. Charles Reld, closely followed by the bride, leaning upon the arm of her cousin, Captain—W. T. Tillar, who in a most charming and graceful, manner surrendered his charge, 10 her, afflanced, who stood waiting.

The ceremony was most impressively and solemniy spoken by the Rev. J. Manning Dunaway, the Baptist minister, which made the young couple man and wife, during the recital of which Tobant's "Hearts and Flowers" was softly played by the organist.

The bride was dressed in a "go-away" suit of brown voile, with hat to match, and never looked more radiant and fair than upon the occasion of her marriage ceremony an informal reception was held at errors.

Immediately following the marriage ceremony an informal reception was held at the splendid home of the bride's parents, on Main Street, at which a few friends gathered and wished the happy and popular young couple God speed.

A significant feature of the marriage was the elaborateness of the dresses worn by the maid of honor and the young lady attendants. The young gentlemen, like the groom, wore conventional black. Miss Powell's gown was white china silk and diamonds. Miss Goodwyn's agolene and rare old lace; Miss Baker wore

Baker-Prior.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WINCHESTER, VA. March 23.-Mr.
Edward Y. Baker, son of Mr. W. H. Baker,
of this city, was married at 5 o clock this
afternoon to Miss Mary Prior, in New
york city. His parents were present, and
his brother, Mr. Albert Baker, was best

man.

Mr. Baker is connected with his father in the manufacture of checolate preparations and candles, and the firm is one of the inrgest in the country. Its factories are located in New York State, and a handsomely equipped office is maintained on Broadway, in New York city, but the business is directed by Mr. Baker from his home office, in this city. The groom's father is the president of the Winchester City Council.

Fitzsimons-Pollard.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
STRASBURG, VA., March 23.—Miss
Nancy Fowler Pollard and Mr. Omer
Zea Fitzsimons were married this evening at \$15 o'clock at the home of the
bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles
R. Pollard, by the Rey. R. M. Wheeler,
of the Methodist Church, assisted by the
Rev. L. L. Smith, D. L. of the Lutieran Church, and a reception followed
the wedding. Mr. and Mrs. Fitzsimons
will reside here.

Henderson-Altick.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

ROANOKE, VA., March 23.—Mr. Charles
B. Henderson, of the all brake department of the Norfolk and Western shops
here, and Miss Nicle Allick, daughter of
Mr. and Miss Nicle Allick, daughter of
Mr. and Miss. N. O. Allick, were married to nice and two 68 diameter by .88 stroke of
to-night at the residence of the bride, Rev.

Steam at 250 pounds pressure will be

OF VIRGINIA

Splendid Programme to Accom pany Christening of Splendid Battleship.

THE PRESIDENT MAY COME

Grand Military Parade to Occur After Ship Goes Overboard. Description of Vessel,

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., March 23.— An event important in the history of the grand old Commonwealth of Virginia will occur on April 5th next at the yards of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company, when the United States first-class battleship Virginia will be launched upon the broad bosom of the

James River. James River.

Not since the days of the staunch ironclad of the Confederacy has a warrior of
the deep borne the name of the mother
of States and Presidents. It will be a
proud day, indeed, for the sons and
daughters of the Old Dominion when that
massive hulk of iron and steel, the christening wine dripping from her bow,
plunges from her eradle on the ways into
the element over which she is to rule
like a new crowned queen.

PREPARING FOR 50,000,

PREPARING FOR 50,000. The boasted patriotism of Virginians

are the people of Newport News as to the outcome of that test they are preparting to entertain 60,000 visitors on "Virginia Day." Nowhere in hospitable Virginia does the word "entertain" mean more than in Newport News, and when her clitzens set about to entertain this great mass of people they do more than to provide them with room to witness the launching. They make every possible provision for their comfort and entertainment while here, and exert every effort to send them home glad they came, and with pleasant remembrance of the "Golden Gata City of the Atlantic."

The officials of the shipbuilding company have set 1 o'clock as the hour of launching. High tide on Tuesday, April 5th, comes at about that hour, and it is always necessary to float the ships at that time. The seven thousand men employed at the yard will lay down thely tools on Monday night, and will not pick them up again until Wednesday morning. This does not include, of course, the hundreds of men who are needed to assist in the actual launching of the ship. The day has been designated as a State holiday by the General Assembly, and the entire city will be gayly decorated in gala attire when the morning of April 5th dawns.

PRESIDENT MAY COME.

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President Roosevelt has been invited to attend the laurching, and he has sent back the response that he will come if public duties will allow him to do so. A large number of members of Congress, Stato legislators, mayors and members of the councils of cities and towns throughout the State will be here among the thousands Virginia is to furnish. Washington. Baltimore, North Carolina and West Virginia will also be strongly represented.

The city of Newport News has appropriated the sum of \$390 to entertain State troops who will come here to participate in the grand parade to be held just after the laurching. The Confederate Veterans of Virginia, the Sons and the Daughters, have all been cordially invited to come, and all who attended the session of the grand camp here last fall will make an effort to come back again.

Governor Montague and his party including his hirteen-year-old daughter, Miss Matilida Gay, the sponsor, will arrive about 11 O'clock, and will be met by officials of the ship yard and a committee of business men. They will be escorted immediately to the launching platform at the bow of the ship.

The gates of the ship yard will be.

ship. The gates of the ship yard will be thrown open two hours before the time set, and those of the crowd who are not so anxious about securing choice vantage places for witnessing the launch in the early stages of construction, and tied up at the wharves in the vicinity visitors 'may view the armored cruisers West Virginia and Maryland, and the protected cruisers Charleston, all of which have been launched.

white taffeta, Miss Jordan white albatross and old lace. Miss Lee white voile, Miss Kelly white slik, while the maid of honor, Miss Lidle Tillar, was handsomely gowned in white silk crepe de chine over white taffeta, and diamond thata. Little Miss Marye Tillar, the ring bearer, was dressed in white sath.

Mr. H. W. Hall, Mr. Roy Lee, Captain Goodwyn and Hon. E. Peyton Turner officiated in the capacity of ushers. Many costly and valuable presents were presented the popular couple.

Mr. and Mrs. Jordan left on the aftermoon Coast Line Vestibule for a honeymoon to Washington, New York and Boston, and will be absent two weeks, after which they will return to Emporia to reside for the present, later moving into their beautiful home near Truit Vincent Company's large mill plant, at Jarratts, of which Mr. Jordan is general manager. AFTER THE LAUNCHING,
After the launching the crowd

will participate.

The invited guests of the shipbuilding company will be excerted to a waiting steamer immediately after the big ship glides into the water, and will be carried to old Point, where a collation will be served at the Chamber-

be carried to Old Point, where a collation will be served at the Chaimber-lin Hotel.

The battleship Virginia now stands about sixty per cent, completed on the ways at the yard. She is a sister ship to the Georgia, building at the Bath Iron Works; the Nebraska building at Moran Brothers' yard, and the ithode Island and New Jersey, building at the Fore River ship-yard.

It was through the efforts of the Collonial Dannes, who will attend the launching in a body, that President McKinley had the ship named Virginia, and they are endeavoring to raise funds to present her with a silver service when completed. The Finance Committee of the Legislature has promised a favorable report at the next session on Senator Hott's bill to appropriate \$10,000 for a silver service. The Virginia will be ready to go into commission in about eighteen months.

DESCRIPTION OF VIRGINIA. DESCRIPTION OF VIRGINIA.

DESCRIPTION OF VIRGINIA,
Hull-Length of load water line, 435.6; beam, extreme, 76.2 1-2; draft on normal displacement of 14.987 tons, 23.9; designed indicated horse power, 19.00; speed, 19 knots; complement of officers, 40; complement of seamen, marines, ctc., 772.
Engine and Bollers—There will be two sets of vertical, inverted, triple expansion, direct-acting, propelling engines, designed for 19.000 collective horsepower at 120 revolutions per minute. Each engine will be placed in a separate watertight compartment and will have cylinders. 35.
331 and two 68 diameter by .48 stroke of piston.

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A NUAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1003, OF THE CONDITION OF THE HARTFORD STEAM BOILER INSPECTION AND INSURANCE COMMENTARY, ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF CONNECTIOUT, MADE TO THE AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS OF THE COMMONWEAUTH OF VIRGINIA, Vice-President-GHARLES W. BEACH.

Secretary-J. R. PIERCE.
Incorporated-JUNE, 1866.
Commenced Business—OCTORDA

mmenced Business-OCTOBER, 1866. nelpai Office-050 MAIN STREET, HARTFORD, CONNECTIOUT.

CAPITAL.

Total..... Deduct gross premiums in course of collection at this date Entire premiums collected during the year...... Deduct re-insurance, return premiums and cancellations... Not cash actually received for premiums.

Interest on loans on mortgages.
Interest and dividends on stocks and bonds.
Interest from all other sources.
Rents.

DISBURSEMENTS.

LIABILITIES.

1,851,355 78

Total smount of all liabilities, except capital \$1,004,287,45

BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF VIRGINIA,

CHAS. M. BEACH, Vice-President.
J. B. PIERCE, Secretary. State of Connecticut, county of Hartford—ss; Subscribed and sworm to January 23, 1904, before L. F. MIDDLEBROOK, Notary Public.

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supplied from twenty-four water tube bollers of the Niclausse marine type. The bollers will be arranged in six water-bollers will be arranged in six water-tight compartments. The total grate surface of the twenty-four bollers will be face of the four face in number, and whose officers have been in communication with his relatives.

Edna Allen, who was here of the side in Allen, who was here with Hughes and alletimore.

She met Hughes in Baltimore.

Current in Culpeper.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

ORANGE, VA., March 23.— (G. Atkins, about five miles east of this place, mach between and stem to a thickness of inches. The armor on the superposed tires with inclined port plates, will be 12 inches thick on the rear.

Battery—The main battery will consist of four 12-inch breach leaung rifles, maunted two in each superposed turret and two in each superposed turrets on the center line of the vessel, and eight of the proposed fire of the side tirret. There will be treive sinch of twelve 3-inch and twelve 3-pounder automatic guns and two 3-inch field guns.

SUICIDE'S BODY

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Miss Carolyn Leigh Craddock Becomes the Bride of Alvan

EPWORTH

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
PETERSBURG, VA., March 23.-Wash ngton Street Methodist Church was filled with a large assemblage of invited guests this evening at 6:30 o'clock to witness the marriage of Miss Carolyn Leigh Crad Baltimore. The church was most tastily

ferns and cut flowers. Rev. Dr. W. G Starr performed the ceremony. The ushers were Mr. Richard C. Morriss, Ilches ter, Md.; Mr. F. C. Bigley, Baltimore Mr. Samuel W. Venable, Mr. Fisher C. Collier, Mr. Joseph E. Vensble and Mr. James E. Cuthbert, of Petersburg. The Mason, in a dainty white muslin, and Mr. suit. The bridesmalds were Miss Effic

Nan Hall Davis, wore wante contempts a most graceful and beautiful costume; her flowers were roses.

The groom, attended by his best man, Mr. Henry Eastin Jones, of Louisville, Ky., awaited the bride at the altar. The bride, who is an exceedingly handsome brunette, in an exquisitely unique and elegant bridal gown of white chilffon cloth, with an illusion veil, gracefully draped, and carrying a bouquet of violets and illies of the valley, was escorted by her coustin, Dr. H. Gilbert Leigh, Miss Lucy Weisiger presided at the organ. After the ceremony the bridal party was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. John Hays at their home on Adams Street. Miss Carolyn Craddock is one of Petersburg's most beautiful, attractive and accomplished young ladies, and has a large circle of friends. The groom, Mr. Alvan Jones, is a very prominent business man of Baltimore.

Ptersburg Lodge of Elks have decided to give a minstrel entertainment in May, the performers being composed of local and outside amateur talent. Louis Hargrave, who sustained a painful injury Christmas by an explosion of a toy cannon, which he was loading for a child, met with a painful accident yesterday. In stepping into a boat with a loaded gun Mr. Hargrave in some manner discharged the weapon, the load enter-

loaded gun Mr. Hargrave in some manner discharged the weapon, the load enterling the shoulder and inflicting only a flesh wound.

Messrs. T. F. Heath and Company, wholesale hay and feed dealers, have awarded to Berj, Harrison the contract for the erection of another warehouse in Old Street, to be a two story structure, 55 by 170 feet.

PRISONERS RETURNED.

Dan Briggs and John Bethel, colored, were this afternoon taken back to Raleigh, N. C., where they were serving time when they effected their escape, along with seven other prisoners.

The board of directors of the Petersburg Savings and Insurance Company has declared a quarterly dividend of three per cent. upon its capital stock, payable on April 1, 1904.

Messrs. Simon Seward, Augustus Wright and George Cameron, Jr., have been appointed by the board of directors of the National Bank a committee on the building of the new bank structure, to be erected on the vacant lot at the corner of East Tabb and Sycamore Streets. The new structure will cost about \$20,000. The adjoining lot, owned by Mr. August.

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